===STATION RESPONSES===

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Barones *	MW	SAE	2 weeks	cd+cass+pd	DT
Black Power	MW	SAE	5 weeks	ll+sl+ph	DT
Blauwe Piraat *	MW	SAE	2 weeks	It	DT
Daiwa *	MW	SAE	4 weeks	lt	DT
Zender Dialije	MW	SAE	3 weeks	It+cass	DT
Zender Harry *	MW	SAE	2 weeks	lt+ph	DT
Zender Jannie	MW	SAE	4 weeks	ррс	DT
ljsselstein *	MW	SAE	3 weeks	l1+pd	DT
Karel Doorman (B)	MW	SAE	3 weeks	lt.	DT
Nova International *	MW	SAE	4 weeks	ppc	DT
Ohio Team	MW	SAE	3 weeks	ppc	DT
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Oude Vrolijke Mijnwerker	MW	SAE	3 weeks	İt	DT
Pepper *	MW	SAE	3 weeks	lt+ph	DT
Tornado (B)	MW	SAE	2 weeks	cd	DT
Twentsche Echo	MW	SAE	4 weeks	ll l	DT
UK2	MW	SAE	3 weeks	ррс	DT
Radio West	MW	SAE	2 weeks	lt+pd	DT
De Wreker	MW	SAE	8 weeks	ppc	DT
Channel Europe	SW	20 KR	9 weeks	ll+cd+info	PC
Crazy Wave Radio	SW	\$1	9 weeks	lt+cd+info	RP
Radio Delta (Ruurlo)	SW	\$1	3 weeks	lt+cd+st	RP
Free Radio Service Holland	SW	\$1	6 weeks	It+cd+info+other	PC
Radio Fusion International	SW	IRC	39 weeks	cd	CB '
Radio Fusion International	SW	IRC x 2	27 weeks	cd	FM
Radio Gemini	SW	SAE			
International Music Radio	SW	IRC x 2	4 weeks	II+cd+sI+sh+info	PC
Level 48	SW		1 week	cd+pd	FM
Radio London International	SW	\$1	10 weeks	lt+cd+info	RP
Radio Mirage	SW	\$1 IRC x 2	4 weeks	lt+cd+ph	RP
Radio Pamela	SW		4 weeks	lt+cd+st+info	FM
Radio Pamela		Stamps	1 week	cd	CB
	SW	\$1	1 week	cd	RP
Radio Perfect	SW	\$1	11 weeks	lt+sh	RP
Radio Popcorn	SW	IRC x 3	8 weeks	cd+info	FM
Radio Tornado	SW	IRC x 2	2 weeks	It+cd+info	PC
Radio Select	SW	\$1	6 weeks	sh+ph	FM
Star Club Radio	SW	\$1	4 weeks	lt+cd+info	FM
Sunshine Radio	SW	\$1	4 weeks	lt+cd+ph	FM
Transatlantic Radio	SW	\$1	4 weeks	cd+info	RP
Weekend Music Radio	SW	Stamps	37 weeks	cd+lt+ph+info	CB
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WELCOME to 1994 and the first issue in the New Year of Pirate Chat magazine! Apologies for the late distribution of this issue but if you only knew how busy we have been here just lately, you would certainly understand. Although Free Radio and Pirate Chat is very important to us, other things take up a lot of time as well!

Well, what is there this time around? All of the usual features can be found with a few additionals such as the FM Free Radio in Bristol article, very kindly written by our good friend, Terry Starr. If you take a look at the SW Logs at a Glance section, you will see page after page of what has been heard on the bands over the last couple of months or so. Christmas was especially busy with just under 200 logs for the full festive season. Quite amazing! It was great to hear so much activity at the end of last year and I for one sure hope that the trend continues throughout the whole of 1994. However, on talking to various people, with spring time on the way, conditions on 48 metres could be set for a dive which could leave listeners straining their ears to hear stations. Propagation though is a very strange thing and nobody can ever be too sure as to exactly what will happen. All I can say is keep on tuning the bands and hope that the conditions stay as they have been recently and if possible, even better.

1994 is set to be a good year for me as the editor of PC. This summer I am going to be visiting the Netherlands, following my marvallous visit to the country last year, I should be visiting many pirate stations and staying for about three times longer than last time. I cannot wait to experience the Free Radio scene and everything else in this fine country and look forward to August!

Also this year, Chris Feeny of European Pirate Radio who writes for Pirate Chat, is going to be visiting England and the magazine HQ. This also should be quite an experience and altogether, 1994 looks like being a good

I would now just like to say a few words about our good friends at Free DX. Sadly, this publication has recently ceased after three years of giving Free Radio enthusiasts a reliable news service. I hope that whatever the editor does in future will be successful and that he will continue to keep in touch with the pirate scene and will not drift away into obscurity.

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FM FREE RADIO IN BRISTOL

1986 - 1993

by Terry Starr

103.50 FM

Broadcast between September 1986 and January 1988, usually on Sunday evenings but also on Saturday mornings from time to time as well. Believed to have been operated by students.

B.A.D. RADIO (Bristol's Amalgamated Deejays).

Initially the creation of the Soul Twins Sound System. Transmitting on Sunday evenings during the summer of 1987 from the St. Werberghs area of the city, B.A.D. was Bristol's first proper West Indian / Black music pirate, helping to inspire others including F.T.P. and also achieving things in their own right. This was the first station to go 24 hours a day, in the spring of 1988 and following the announcement of the 'amnesty' for pirate operators wanting a licence in December 1988, this was the station which carried on regardless, becoming the city's only black pirate. Still recalled with affection amongst the local black fraternity, the station was finally silenced in a D.T.I. raid on March 1st 1989.

F.T.P. Radio (For The People)

Soulful D and Master C, dissatisfied deejays at B.A.D. Radio, launched F.T.P. on February 7th 1988. Everything ran off a single electrical socket: "We were a joke . . . something to be toyed with by B.A.D. Radio," Master Clatrer told the magazine Venue. Nevertheless, it was not long before F.T.P., with its dedicated 7 day a week output and commitment to the community, became Bristol's most successful Free Radio station ever. claiming more than 40,000 regular listeners within six months of first coming on air. At the height of its popularity, F.T.P. pulled the plug to apply for an I.B.A incremental franchise. And it all went horribly wrong. Saddled with debts, the revived F.T.P., which hit the air in April 1990, abandoned

its music policy for an increasingly watereddown format, undermining its credibility further. Laughed off at this stage by many as being Radio Fooled the People or For the Money, the station was taken over by the Chiltern Radio group in December 1990 and became the pappy Galaxy Radio in the following month.

EMERGENCY RADIO

Only ever broadcasting on Sunday afternoons, Emergency offered an 'alternative' Black music format, with helpings of African traditional music, roots reggae and other styles not readily catered for on the existing pirates. At the end of 1988, it looked like they would be carrying on into the New Year but in the event they vanished in the small hours of Boxing Day 1988 and were never heard from again.

S.Y.T. Radio (Savage Yet Tender)

"... the station where you can call the Duke of Beaufort a f""ing a""hole . . . " S.Y.T. was truly an enigmatic pirate, dismissing the efforts of the community pirates attempts at legality and yet also keeping far removed from the hobby Free Radio scene. One of the station's key players, Pete Tender, was a confirmed revolutionary Marxist and then, even the station's musical output was radical, featuring industrial. indie, hardcore and speedcore metal, thrash, punk, new wave, and . . .er, rock n' roll. From September 1988 to its first disappearance in August 1989, the station operated on tape and operated on an open access broadcasting policy. During its 'second wave' of activity, from March 1991 through to the beginning of 1992, it was live and even managed to survive an unauthorised raid by police based at Redland police station, in early December 1991. The reason for the station's final closedown in the following month may have may been a 'full scale' D.T.I. raid.

MAN FREE RADIO IN BRISTOL

R.A.W. Radio (Rough and Wicked) When they first emerged out of the ether on November 5th 1988, this station, an 'overspill' for F.T.P. deejays, was initially called Superfresh FM. They lasted little more than a month or so, suffering firstly a raid in early December which took them off the air until Christmas Eve, and then closing down completely to make a licence application just one week later - the same night that F.T.P. shut up shop for the same reason. Almost exactly four years later, however, at Christmas 1992, R.A.W. resurfaced, this time for a much longer spell of broadcasting. Indeed, at times they have been the city's only Black music pirate station. Exactly what relationship the two incarnations of R.A.W. Radio have to each other does, however, remain unknown.

Black FM

S.Y.T. had been using the slogan " . . . the only one left . . . " until Black FM hit the airwaves in July 1989, defining itself as being "...NOT a community radio station but a privately owned music enterprise which likes to help out in the community . . ." Overcoming interference difficulties from B.B.C. Radio One's 97.90 Midland transmitter, which came on-line at Christmas 1989, the station survived the new decade until, in early September, they decided to comply with a police request that they close down for the time being. Three months later, on the eve of the implementation of the Broadcasting Act, the station returned with a fortnight or so of transmissions, requesting that listeners should telephone in their responses to the station's comeback. Either those responses were not entirely positive or else, facing the uncertainties of new legislation, the station's operators joined many others in pulling the plug just before the New Year.

S.P.E.C. Radio (St. Pauls and Easton Community Radio)

In many ways, the antithesis of Black FM, S.P.E.C. began broadcasting on Saturday

December 9th 1989 and indeed, fulfilled some of the implications of its name by producing a number of discussions and even live on-air phone-ins of direct relevance to Bristol's West Indian and Asian communities, as well as music programmes. Busted twice in the space of five days shortly after Black FM's September closure, the station went on to brave the 1990 Act and eventually went off the air in search of a licence at the end of 1991. Ironically after having built up much of their audience and even some of the members of their staff from the disappointment, the legal F.T.P. turned out to be for the Black community.

T.N.T. Radio

Broadcasting only a handful of times at the beginning of 1990, T.N.T. were the last of the non-ethnic pirates in Bristol for more than a year, and, with a format of oldies and pop records, were firmly in the mould of hobby Free Radio stations.

inner City Radio

They did not last long either. I've never known an FM pirate, who, of course, normally adopt regular slots, change frequency quite as many times in so short a period as Inner City Radio: up and down the band between 100 and 106.25, they were on air, in all, for little more than two months during the summer of 1990.

Magnum Radio

in many ways like Black FM, Magnum, which initially called itself Sophisticated Local Radio (S.L.R.), locussed on music programming from the moment it emerged in mid-October 1990. However, unlike Black FM, the station tended to operate unreliably: days, weeks, even whole months were skipped by the station before, alongside S.P.E.C., they went off the air in December 1991 to seek legality. They were back little more than a year later and proceeded to remain on the air through until the summer of 1993.



F.P.R. (Fishponds Pirate Radio)

The original "transmitter under the bed" station, F.P.R. Radio was an effective one man band, operating with very low power but an incredibly ambitious schedule of Monday - Friday 1900 - 2300 and Saturdays / Sundays 1200 - 2300. It is hardly surprising that the station had disappeared by July 1991, after little more than three months on the air. They made an abortive return in May 1992 and may have been responsible for the transmissions resplendent with F.T.P. jingles in August 1993 but nothing proper has really been heard from this station.

Demystified Radio

Actually, "Demystified" was more of a slogan than an actual station name but the station itself, operating on 101.70 MHz between August 1991 and January 1992 did not seem to be interested in names. Perhaps an offshoot from S.Y.T. Radio (the station once carried an interview with S.Y.T. presenters and apparently had some contact with the S.Y.T. crew), they transmitted a good nine hours or so of bizarre radio every Sunday from around 1200, featuring cut-ups from news broadcasts, weird "audio-colleges", noises, and anarchist discussions. They vanished at the same time as S.Y.T. Radio.

Shag FM

They were rude, crude, and the transmitter drifted. Ironically, the station came from the tiny village of Chew Magna, broadcasting to the area south of the city, but putting in a fair signal to certain parts of the city itself. On and off between September 1991 and June 1992, in all clocking up only a handful of transmissions.

S.O.S. Radio (Shades of Soul) In the wake of Magnum and S.P.E.C.'s closures at the end of 1991, S.O.S. attempted a much slicker, professional sound than had ever been used by any of the Black music pirates previously.

incorporating regular news updates and local travel details, for example, and employing professional-sounding presenters. This was another very short lived Free Radio operation and S.O.S. had disappeared from air by March 1992.

Bakar Radio

Bristol's Asian community had been served by programmes on the otherwise largely West Indian operations as early as 1988 but Bakar Radio represented the first all Asian pirate in the city, initially coming on air in early April 1992. On and off, the station has survived to the present day, playing a regular mix of traditional and contemporary Asian music in several languages, including English.

W.L.S. Radio

Possibly the most short-lived of them all, their programmes of soul, hip-hop and reggae music, apparently on tape, could be heard for only a fortnight during May 1992, around the time of F.P.R.'s very brief return.

N.B.S. Radio (No Bullshit)

They had an excellent transmitting signal and stereo capability, the first stereo pirate in Bristol since the end of S.Y.T. and Demystified in January 1992. So why exactly they went on the air on the same frequency as the legal G.W.R.'s Swindon transmitter on 102.20 FM, which denied them coverage of substantial parts of the city, remains something of a mystery. May have had links with the remnants of the S.Y.T. organisation. Unfortunately, they were never to follow their forerunner's longevity and No Bullshit was no more after only a few transmissions in the spring of 1993.

Power FM

This became the first Black music orientated station operating with a stereo signal regularly since F.T.P.'s demise as a pirate around five years previosuly, in December 1988. ■

RADIO AND MY PART IN IT... FOURIUS by Andy PART FOUR

LAST time, I mentioned the 150 watt transmitter which finally disappeared in mysterious circumstances. But 150 watts was peanuts compared with Stuart's latest idea. We were sat making fools of ourselves in Tommy Duck's one night when Stuart said to me "Do you think we could make a really big medium wave transmitter?" I said, "What, four of five hundred watts?", Already feeling the fluttering of butterflies in my stomach. "Bigger than that," he said, "I was thinking of a couple of kilowatts!" If you have ever seen one of those comedy films where someone takes a drink from a glass and then gets a surprise, you will know what happens next. After mopping the table dry, I said "*%&^ing £@\$)!, can't we just save up and buy one off Marconi or someone?" But he reckoned it was just a matter of getting more of everything; more volts - bigger valves equals more RF. Easy! Easy for him to say anyway. I thought it would be me dicing with death. John, who was sat with us said "I think you're being a bit over ambitious Stuart."

In the end and after several more pints of beer, we compromised. One kilowatt was to be the target and I said I would do my best. I had already made up my mind that 500 watts would do.

We started collecting the necessary parts. After doing some sums and looking at the adverts in Practically Witless magazine, we decided that we would need:

2 x 813 RF pentodes, big
1 x 6146 pentode, biggish
1 x 5763 pentode, small
2 x 811 triodes, serious
2 x wide spaced tuning caps
Several mains transformers, including one which would deliver
2 kilovolts or more at up to half an amp.

These were just the main items but many others were also required.

One weekend we went shopping for the two thousand volt mains transformer and we spotted what we wanted at a well known amateur radio shop in Levenshulme. It was plonked on a table right at the back of a shop and we made a beeline for it. Sure enough, the secondary winding was labelled 2.2 kV/0.7 AMP. Just the job! It was enormous, about twelve inches square and Frank could just about lift it. While we were at it, we bought sixteen diodes for the high voltage recilifier and a box of ten 350 volt electrolytics which would be strung in series to stand the voltage.

The two 813s and the 811 A triodes were mail ordered and arrived in just a few days. If you have never seen an 813, you have missed a treat. About eight inches high and two and a half inches in diameter, they have a mean looking anode assembly which can turn out the RF power at such a phenomenal rate that even the most modern transistors look like highs stuff by comparisors.

kid's stuff by comparison.

Assuming that we would have about 800 watts DC input to the PA, something of the order of 400 watts of audio would be needed to fully modulate the carrier. This would be possible using the two 811 A triodes but where to get a modulation transformer could have been a problem. transformer specialist, Manchester Magtor, however, saw no difficulties. To cater for our specifications would cost £18 which was fair enough and while waiting for the transformer to arrive, I cracked on with the other bits. Crystal control had been decided upon as the plan was to reach Europe under night-time conditions and we did not want to cause any hetrodynes.



This is when we hit the first problem. None of the crystal firms we approached wanted to make a 1367 kHz crystal for us. After much thought we therefore got one at twice the frequency and used an old idea to divide it down. (Yes, I know we could have used a TTL divider chip but only Pete knew how to use the darn things and he was so bloody clever that he was away at university).

Our method is called 'injection locking' and works like this . . .

... Make two oscillators, one running at the crystal frequency which is twice what we want, the other running at the wanted frequency of 1367 kHz. Now 'inject' a small amount of the crystal oscillator's output into the VFO. Bingo! The VFO locks onto alternate cycles and produces 1367 kHz with rock solid stability. Problem solved. This part of the box to shield it from the monumental amount of RF that would be floating around the finished transmitter. Sat on top of the box was an ECC82 valve, to get enough voltage swing to drive the following 5763 pentode to about five watts. This then drove the next stage, a 6146, to around 40 watts. At this point, I could not contain myself any longer. The big supply was hastily lashed up and wires were soldered onto the pins of the two 813s. But I had worked myself into such a frenzy that I did not dare turn it on.

There was a knock at the door and it was John and Frank come to see how things were progressing. They were amazed to see this dangerous lash up covering half the floor! I explained that I had lost my nerve and Frank suggested that we turned it on from a safe distance, using a broom handle to click the switch which was mounted on the transformer. Broom handle held at its fullest extent, we did a space-shot style countdown, 3-2-1 CLICK!! There was a thud from the enormous transformer and then the lashed together circuitry began leaping

and writhing across the floor, spitting flames and belching smoke as it went. Shielding my eyes from the sparks, I managed to knock the switch to the off position but the contacts must have welded. The only way to stop this monster was to unplug at the wall. But by careful lack of forethought, transformer was directly in front of the socket! Finally, the plug was yanked out of the wall and peace returned to the room. Frank said something about it being the most expensive firework he had ever seen while me and John muttered words that had better not appear in print! All the HT wiring was charred and a few of the rectifiers had passed away but still, we set about re-wiring and repair. The next day, I was ready for another try. This time, safety was uppermost in my mind and I checked everything several times. The lower voltage supplies were turned on first and a quick light bulb test showed plenty of drive to the 813s. Two 150 watt light bulbs were hung across the tuning unit as a load and these were to light brightly if the expected amount of RF emerged from the PA.

OK . . . on with the 2500 volts. There was the usual thud from the transformer followed by a heart-stopping pause, rather like waiting for a pay and display machine to cough up a ticket, then . . . WOOOSH! Plenty of RF or what? Both lamps lit to more than full brilliance. Stage one of the operation was complete!

When the modulation transformer arrived, no time was lost in getting it mounted and wired up. Another power supply was required for the two 811As in the modulator so more carpet disappeared under the ever-expanding mess. Soon it was all done and of course it had to be tested so using my hi-fi as an audio source, modulation was applied. It was great. The audio was as smooth as silk, right up to 90%. I felt proud. After all, I had done most of the work myself and to

see and hear it working so well made me feel great. I had heard 'high power' pirate transmitters put on the air by other people and they always sounded rough but this one was truly BBC quality! In its final form, it took up three large chassis, one holding the RF bit, the second holding the PI tank unit and the last holding the power supply.

After a period of 'soak' testing, it was time to put the new transmitter to work. We found an empty house in (surprise) Wilmslow but this time we did not have to force any doors or anything. conservatory at the rear was wide open. Mains power was readily available too. There were fields at the back, dotted with trees suitable for aerial supports so the far end of the wire was attached to the tallest one and the other end dangled from the attic window. Both ends were insulated with lengths of string to stop any nastiness breaking out. Then we carried in the transmitter and all the time I was expecting the police to arrive. We must have locked very suspicious, a group of hippy types creeping around an empty house in such a well to do area.

Everything was set up ready for an 8 o'clock start, then we made ourselves scarce. Stuart and myself went back at around 1930 to tune up and start the tape but yours truly had forgotten the RF 'sniffer' which we used for tuning purposes. But Stuart's infa-red eyes came to the rescue - he said he could see the dull red glow of the 813 anodes and by tuning for minimum redness, he set the tuning correctly. I couldn't see a thing! Problem number two came when we started the first tape because although the tape was running, there was no sound. It was our old friend RF feedback so strong that it was completely killing the cassette player. Careful positioning of the player and its audio lead eventually cured it, apart from the odd grunt when going near it to change tapes.

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By now we were getting nervous and we beat a retreat to a roadside bench about half a mile away where we sat and listened to a very strong signal from Aquarius. We were hoping to get letters from Europe and we made plans to have some impressive QSL cards printed.

At about 1 o'clock in the morning, the tapes ran out so back we went to turn everything off.

There wasn't a lot of mail following the broadcast which disappointed us rather but one of the letters we got did come from a guy called Tim in Didsbury. He had been listening to us for quite a while and now he wanted in. He lived in a rather nice house with his parents who were obviously fairly well off. He also owned a sports car, an MG or something, which we thought might help us make speedy getaways. Little did I realise what was to come . . . NEXT TIME:

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ONE of the most underrated stations throughout Europe is Radio Benelux from Germany so here is the story of this famous pirate.

Radio Benelux was founded by four Free Radio freaks on the 26th June 1990. At exactly 1515 UTC the first test transmission was carried out. A telephone number was announced during the test programme and quite a few calls from different parts of Germany reached the Radio Benelux studio. The second test was carried out one week later but from another location.

The four founders of the station were: Andy, Mr. Aktiv, Mr. November (ex Radio Universum) and Jens Martin. The transmitter which is still in use has the power of 20 watts with a half-wave dipole antenna.

At the start of its life, Radio Benelux used 7430 kHz or 7480 kHz in the 41 metre band. The station was active two or three times a month on Sundays between 0900 - 1100 UTC and interestingly on Saturday afternoons between 1400 - 1600 UTC till the end of 1990. All programmes were and still are live today!

The programmes consist of oldies, disco and hard rock. They always gained a lot of mail for their programmes and around 30 letters were received for each broadcast and even nowadays, the Radio Benelux people receive around 15 - 20 letters for one programme.

In 1991 a few changes were made. Firstly, some tests were carried out in the 48 metre band. Despite these tests being successful, Benelux remained on 48 metres. Because of safety reasons, a few studios at different locations were built up so that for each transmission a different studio can be used. Additionally, a few mobile transmissions have been made.

In 1992, tests were carried out in the 26 metre band on frequencies like 11390 kHz but mainly 11416 kHz, between February and November. Again, these tests were successful (reports came from Italy, Spain, Hungary etc) but because Radio Benelux had already reached these countries on 41 metres and because of bad propagation conditions, these tests stopped in November 1992.

Also in the second year of this station's history, an English programme was introduced and presented by Mr. November. Saturday afternoon transmissions were stopped and competitions were introduced with prizes of T-shirts and stickers. A now regular feature, 'Free Radio Spot' also began in '92, in which, a different pirate station is highlighted. And then came the 20th September - the Star Club Radio raid (a special feature is to follow soon here in PC!)

This event silenced the German Free Radio scene. Several German pirates received threats of a raid and so Radio Benelux decided to firstly reduce the number of broadcasts for a limited period and secondly to reduce programme duration to just one hour. Because of this. the 'Free Radio Spot' and the English programmes were scrapped.

The last major event of 1992 came on December 13th. As from this date, it has been possible to hear Radio Benelux via Intelsat. Every fortnight on Sundays, between 1800 - 1900, the station can be received in superb satellite quality.

In 1993, Radio Benelux was on air about twice a month but still only with one hour programmes. Another founder, the

hard-rock expert, Mr. Aktiv, left the station in March. Also, Mr. November has not been heard for quite a while meaning that at the moment, programmes are presented by only Jens Martin. But there are hopes that a new DJ can be found very soon.

In autumn, the mailing address was changed from the good (?) old Wuppertal postbox to the Venlo drop. Correct reception reports are always answered inside a short time with a QSL card (for special transmissions, photo QSLs are given out), a personal letter from Jens and of course, the current information sheet. When writing, please do make sure that return postage is enclosed.

Besides the brilliant station sticker, available for 1.5 DM, Radio Benelux Tshirts are available for 30 DM. Do write in:

> P.O. BOX 386. 5900 AJ Venio. Netherlands.

Hello everybody and welcome to a brand new year! Hopefully you all had a wonderful Christmas and an even better start in 1994.

In this issue and my installment you have so far read the Fladio Benelux story and still to come is a short look at Crazy Wave Radio and an update on Level 48 (the station featured in the last issue). Also there will be a short description about two books concerning the US pirate scene.

On the 26th September 1993, Crazy Wave Radio (or in German, Welle Wahnsinn) grew up somewhat. The first test transmission was made with their own transmitter and Chris Ise, station operator, told me that 23 reception reports were received.

The transmitter is 30 watts with a halfwave dipole antenna cut to 48 metres. Mr. Ise hopes that CWR can be heard around once a month inside of 48 metres

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or on 6400 kHz. By the way, a nice photo QSL showing the transmitter is available.

Some people are always confused when they read the name of Radio Wahnsinn. This station has nothing to do with CWR and is a totally separate set-up. Radio Wahnsinn took a long break after being regular in the late 80s (mainly 1989) but now they are back. On December 5th, a programme of this station was relayed by Radio Orang Utan. Within this, the station operator had some complaints about the Wuppertal maildrop. They have not received the mail for a broadcast that took place in the summer this year and Radio Wahnsinn is not the first station having such complaints and there surely is a trend that more and more stations are using the Venlo address instead. One station operator told me that the service from here is simply better with the quicker forwarding of mail.

On now to a few words about the current policy from CLCG, also known as Radio Popcorn or Tom's Music Radio. I don't think it is a good idea to give one single station three different names. Perhaps they want to gain more mail and want to do a good job for the QSL hunters (what a word) but for the normal listener it is simply confusing. So I hope that CLCG come back to planet Earth and will only use one station name in future. By the way, they produce a magazine and I think that in one of the next issues of PC, I will write a few lines about this one.

In the last few months I have noticed that there is a trend that the listeners are writing more and more. If you look at the figures of letters received by stations, it is more than satisfying. Here are a few examples:

International Music Radio - 68 letters for their first broadcast

Francis Drake - ± 30 letters per one hour broadcast

Level 48 - ± 90 letters for a weekend of broadcasting

CHRIS FEENY'S PIRATE THOUGHTS

Free Radio Service Holland - over 80 letters for a four hour broadcast

On the other hand, some listeners can get disappointed with station response! I remember writing to WNKR on February 14th 1993 and I have still received no reply. What do some stations expect when they provide such a terrible listener service? Of course, WNKR is not the only station like this but I selected them because they were always complaining about the lack of letters.

And now on to something more pleasant. The first issue of 'InfoFox - Die InfoBox' has been published! In general it can be said that the information looks a little like that which appears in Free Dx but there are differences. This is weekly whereas InfoFox is monthly. The first issue contained logs of the period October 24th - November 7th and some news. Basically, it looks a little bit like the old RadioTelex. You can order your sample copy from the Venlo maildrop if you enclose return postage. The next issue is scheduled for publication sometime after the festive season. One of the main men behind this project is Jonny Walker, the force behind Radio Rabbit International.

On now to the update concerning Level 48. Firstly, there are two new members in the form of Radio Illusion and Crazy Wave Radio. Secondly, the satellite transmissions were stopped at the end of 1993 because of the absolutely awful listener response. By the way, on the Level 48 transmission of June 12th/13th, Radio Vanessa did not have the chance to air their programmes because the forester was at their site and there was no chance to switch on the transmitter.

OK, the last subject today is two books from the USA. Firstly, the annual Pirate Radio Directory. Have you already heard about the Mystic Voice of the Western Prairies, Captain Eddy's Radio Airplane or even the Voeddy Murphy? Do you

believe the Voice of the Very Last Day, still exists or that Radio Beaver is run by an animal? If so, you have to read the Pirate Radio Directory. The first issue was published in 1989. From that date it became a regular institution in the US pirate scene.

Each issue consists of a complete look at all stations that were active during the last twelve months within over 100 pages. Each station is described with a lot of details concerning programme formats and so on. The latest issue contains a look at every US pirate active during 1992 which is a must for every Free Radio human being! Always written by George Zeller, help was given this year by Andrew Yoder.

Anyone still interested to complete his log-book from 1992? Perhaps you are curious as to what stations have been active in North America or whether there is still Free Radio in Oceania. The heart of this book is the logging section which contains information on thousands of pirate broadcasts around the world. These broadcasts have been sorted into separate sections by Andrew Yoder (Pirate Pages). This book and the Pirate Directory can be directly obtained from:

P.O. BOX 109 Blue Ridge Summit Pennsylvania 17214 USA

OK then, that brings us to the end of this times Pirate Thoughts. Next time, there will be a review of German pirate activity in 1992 and a special feature on Wrekin Radio International. Until then, do have a great '94 and keep on tuning Free Radio.

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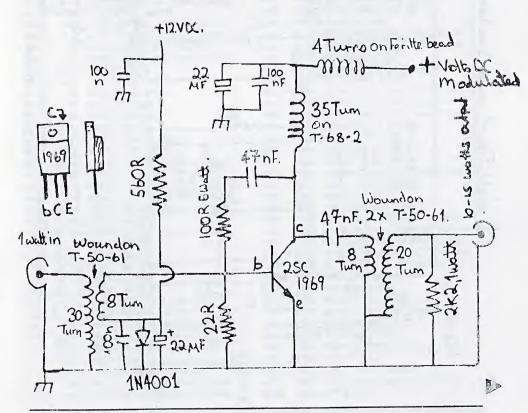
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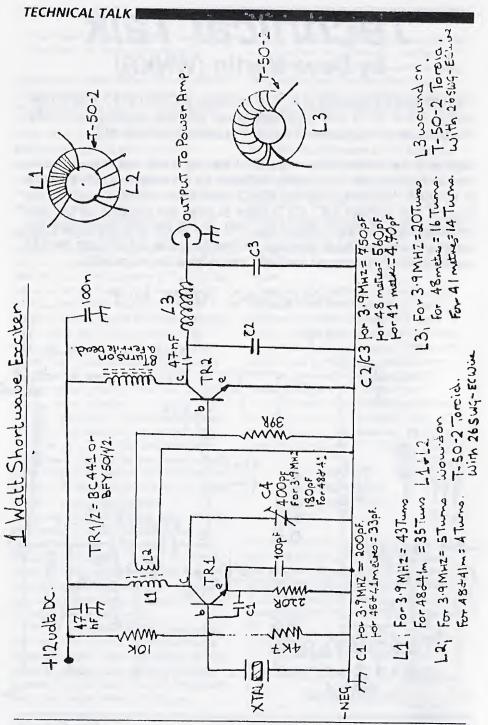
by Dave Martin (WNKR)

This shortwave transmitter is in three sections; section 1 is a 1 watt exciter, section 2 is a 10-15 watt broadband power amplifier, section 3 is the AM modulator section and this will appear in a future issue as Part 2.

Section 1, the exciter is the only part of the circuit that has to be tuned for the band to be used. The crystal is chosen for the frequency with the band to be used. C1, L1/L2, L3 and C2/C3 have to be selected to match the band in use as does C4. C4 is used to peak the oscillator to the right frequency and maximum power into TR2. C4 is the only adjustment and construction is detailed in drawings. Important is that the antenna must be used with 50 ohm coax and the SWR should be as low as possible.

BROADBAND POWER AMP





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Monás	v 1et N	ovember 1993			November 1993
3918		RADIO FIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL	3925		RADIO PIRANA INTERNATIONAL
		Novmeber 1993	6288		RADIO ARMADILLO
3910		RADIO PIFIAÑA INTERNATIONAL		day 11t	h November 1993
		November 1993	3925	2215	RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL
3910		STARSHINE RADIO	Saturo		November 1993
6205		RADIO TORNADO	3910	2324	STARSHINE RADIO
6207		RADIO KONTAKT	3910	2350	RADIO JIMMY INTERNATIONAL
6215		RADIO SELECT	3910		PIRATE FREAKS B'CAST SCE
6229		RADIO TORNADO	3915	2316	STARSHINE RADIO
6229		PEACE IN ACTION	3915	2321	PIRATE FREAKS B'CAST SCE
6237		RADIO REFLEX	3915		RADIO TITANIC INTERNATIONAL
6237		RADIO BRIGITTE	6210	1111	RADIO PAMELA
6270		RADIO TELSTAR	6229	1018	RADIO WAVES INTERNATIONAL
6270		RADIO REFLEX	6229	1059	JOLLY ROGER RADIO
6295		RADIO CAROLINE	6270	1210	RADIO REFLEX
6400		RADIO ABILITY	6295		RADIO CAROLINE
7411		SUBTERRANEAN SOUNDS	6400		RADIO ABILITY
		ovember 1993	7360		RADIO PACMAN
3905	0001	RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL	7411		SUBTERRANEAN SOUNDS
3912		STARSHINE RADIO	7491		RADIO BRIGITTE
		RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL			November 1993
3930		RADIO STELLA INTERNATIONAL	3905		RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL
3945		RAINBOW RADIO GERMANY	3905		RADIO SAFARI INTERNATIONAL
3945			3910		LIVE WIRE RADIO
5900		OZONE RADIO INTERNATIONAL RADIO PERFECT	3910		RADIO PIRANA INTERNATIONAL
6200		STAR CLUB RADIO	3912		STARSHINE RADIO
6200		RADIO WAHNSINN	5800		OZONE RADIO INTERNATIONAL
6200		DELTA BRAVO	5810		OZONE RADIO INTERNATIONAL
6200			5930		OZONE RADIO INTERNATIONAL
6211		RADIO CEMINI	6200		RADIO DELTA (Ruurlo)
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6229		JOLLY ROGER RADIO	6205		RADIO METEOOR
6229		RADIO TORNADO	6217		RADIO SELECT
6232		OZONE RADIO INTERNATIONAL			EMERALD RADIO INTERNATIONAL
6239		RADIO MARABU	6225		JOLLY ROGER RADIO
6239		BELGIAN INT RELAY SERVICE	6229		
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6306		RADIO PAMELA	6257		XENON TRANSMITTING COMPANY
6400		RADIO ATLANTIS	6277		OZONE RADIO INTERNATIONAL
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6556		RADIO BRIGITTE	6305		RADIO PAMELA
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6206 6206		STAR CLUB RADIO RADIO CITY	Wednesday 1st December 1993
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6225		EMERALD RADIO INTERNATIONAL	Thursday 2nd December 1993
6229		JOLLY ROGER RADIO	6239 1036 RADIO MERLIN INTERNATIONAL Saturday 4th December 1993
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6239		OPTIMOD	6239 1134 RADIO MARABU
6239		RADIO MERLIN INTERNATIONAL	6295 1017 RADIO CAROLINE
6239		BELGIAN INT RELAY SERVICE	6305 1342 RADIO PAMELA
6266		TRANSATLANTIC RADIO	Sunday 5th December 1993
6277		OZONE RADIO INTERNATIONAL	3910 1009 RADIO JIMMY INTERNATIONAL
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6288		RADIO BOBBY	3911 0027 RADIO DELMARE
6288	1259	EIFELWELLE	3911 1007 RADIO DELMARE
6295		RADIO CAROLINE	3912 0010 STARSHINE RADIO
6305	1035	RADIO PAMELA	6200 0916 INTERNATIONAL MUSIC RADIO
6400	1228	RADIO ATLANTIS	6200 1104 RADIO WAHNSINN
7290		RADIO PACMAN	6200 1215 RADIO POPCORN
7446		RADIO STELLA INTERNATIONAL	6210 1037 OZONE RADIO INTERNATIONAL
7480		RADIO BENELUX	6229 0931 JOLLY ROGER RADIO
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6295		RADIO CAROLINE	7410 1202 HADIO PACMAIN 7411 1110 SUBTERRANEAN SOUNDS
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6225	1047	EMERALD RADIO INTERNATIONAL	6239 0934 RADIO MERLIN INTERNATIONAL
6225	1340	RADIO EXPERIMENTAL	6295 0934 RADIO CAROLINE
6226	1348	WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO	Sunday 12th December 1993
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6239		RADIO SCOTTISH MONTREAL	6205 1147 RADIO METEOOR
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6237	1002	RADIO REFLEX
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6295	1208	RADIO FOX
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6200	1007	
6200	1127	RADIO POPCORN
6205	1332	
6210	1011	OZONE RADIO INTERNATIONAL
6210	1352	SIERRA FOXTROT ZERO THREE
6219	1400	ANGEL FM
6229	1008	JOLLY ROGER RADIO
6234	1146	BRITAIN RADIO INTERNATIONAL
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Wednesday 22nd December 1993
6239 1343 BELGIAN INT RELAY SERVICE
Friday 24th December 1993 (Christmas Eve)
6219 1154 ANGEL FM
6229
     1013 RADIO MARABU
     1040 JOLLY ROGER RADIO
6229
     1130 BRITAIN RADIO INTERNATIONAL
6234
     1012 RADIO DEVOLUTION
6275
     1037 RADIO ORION
6275
     1138 RADIO CAROLINE
6295
     1200 BRITAIN RADIO INTERNATIONAL
Saturday December 25th 1993 (Christmas Day)
     2300 RADIO SAFARI INTERNATIONAL
3905
     1848 XMAS
3911
3911
     2353 XMAS
     2347 RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL
     1012 WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO
     1116 RADIO LONDON INTERNATIONAL
     0853 RADIO ORANG UTAN
6200
     1145 CLANDESTINE LISTENERS CLUB
6200
6200
     1232 STAR CLUB RADIO
6200
     1329 RADIO DR. TIM
     1453 CLANDESTINE LISTENERS CLUB
6200
     0949 WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO
6209
     1107 RADIO LONDON INTERNATIONAL
     1429 RADIO GLORIA INTERNATIONAL
6210
6210
     1433 LIVE WIRE RADIO
6210
     1438 SIERRA FOXTROT ZERO THREE
     1527 VOICE OF THE GOUTSUFFERERS
     1028 ANGEL FM
6220
     1019 WEST AND NORTH KENT RADIO
6229
     0934 JOLLY ROGER RADIO
     0934 BRITAIN RADIO INTERNATIONAL
6234
6239
     0935 WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO
6239
     1730 OVERFLOW INTERNATIONAL
6239
     2030 RADIO MERLIN INTERNATIONAL
     0906 RADIO EAST COAST COMMERCIAL
6263
     1225 RADIO SAFARI INTERNATIONAL
     1030 OZONE RADIO INTERNATIONAL
6275
     0843 RADIO DELTA (Elburg)
6275
     1122 RADIO ORION
     1255 SUD WEST RADIO
     0936 WEST AND NORTH KENT RADIO
     0900 RADIO CAROLINE
6295
     1730 OVERFLOW INTERNATIONAL
6300
6300
     2030 RADIO MERLIN INTERNATIONAL
     0936 RADIO BRIGITTE
6555
     1355 RADIO SANTANA
6555
     0958 RADIO EUROPE
7294
      1036 RADIO MARABU
      0935 BRITAIN RADIO INTERNATIONAL
7360
      0841 VOICE OF THE NETHERLANDS
7410
7484
      1250 RADIO WAVES INTERNATIONAL
7558
      1248 XMAS
11401 1151 RADIO WAVES INTERNATIONAL
Sunday December 26th 1993
3915
     0110 RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL
     0109 ROMANTIC SPACE RADIO
3917
     0136 RADIO WITHOUT BORDERS INT
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3920	0128	RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL	6210		LIGHTNING INTERNATIONAL
3920		RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL	6229		JOLLY ROGER RADIO
3925		RADIO UTOPIA	6239		RADIO SCOTTISH MONTREAL
3927		LIVE WIRE RADIO	6239		RADIO LONDON INTERNATIONAL
3928		WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO	6239		BELGIAN INT RELAY SERVICE
3945		WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO	6239		RADIO MERLIN INTERNATIONAL
3945		RADIO UTOPIA	6239		SOUTHERN MUSIC RADIO
3945		LIVE WIRE RADIO	6300		RADIO LONDON INTERNATIONAL
6200		RADIO WAHNSINN	6300		BELGIAN INT RELAY SERVICE
6200		RADIO POPCORN	6300		RADIO MERLIN INTERNATIONAL
6200		TOM'S MUSIC RADIO	6305		RADIO PAMELA
6215		RADIO SELECT			9th December 1993
6219		ANGEL FM	3910		LIVE WIRE RADIO
6225		RADIO USA	6239		RADIO MERLIN INTERNATIONAL
6229		JOLLY ROGER RADIO BRITAIN RADIO INTERNATIONAL			h December 1993 OVERFLOW INTERNATIONAL
6229			6239 6239		RADIO MERLIN INTERNATIONAL
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6239		BELGIAN INT RELAY SERVICE	6290		RADIO ORION
		OPTIMOD	6292		RADIO ARMADILLO
6239		OVERFLOW INTERNATIONAL	6305		RADIO PAMELA
6239		WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO			ecember 1993
6240			6289		XENON TRANSMITTING COMPANY
6252		RADIO NORTHSEA INT	6234		BRITAIN RADIO INTERNATIONAL
6255		WEST AND NORTH KENT RADIO RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL	6236		RADIO TELSTAR
6255 6256		FREE RADIO NORWAY	6300		RADIO LONDON INTERNATIONAL
6259		CHRIS WATSON TESTS!	7360		BRITAIN RADIO INTERNATIONAL
6266		TRANSATLANTIC RADIO			January 1994 (New Year's Day)
6280		WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO	3920		RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL
6282		CRAZY WAVE RADIO	3920		RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL
6285		RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL	3920		RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL
6295		RADIO CAROLINE	3925		RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL
6300		RADIO LONDON INTERNATIONAL	3945		WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO
6300		RADIO SCOTTISH MONTREAL	6200		INTERNATIONAL MUSIC RADIO
6300		OVERFLOW INTERNATIONAL	6209		WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO
6525		RADIO MIKE	6209		RADIO PANDORA
6546	1006	RADIO BRIGITTE	6219	1030	ANGEL FM
7484	0925	RADIO WAVES INTERNATIONAL	6229	1126	BRITAIN RADIO INTERNATIONAL
7558	1137	XMAS	6234	1030	BRITAIN RADIO INTERNATIONAL
11401	1241	RADIO WAVES INTERNATIONAL	6239	1028	RADIO LONDON INTERNATIONAL
Monda	y 27th	December 1993 (Boxing Day)	6239	1148	BELGIAN INT RELAY SERVICE
3915	2359	RADIO MATA HARI	6239	1227	CITADEL RADIO INTERNATIONAL
3945	1128	WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO	6239	1550	RADIO SCOTTISH MONTREAL
6202	1059	WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO	6240	0230	WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO
6202	1238	SIERRA FOXTROT ZERO THREE	6255	1255	RADIO GLORIA INTERNATIONAL
6210	1250	RADIO USA	6295	1027	RADIO PAMELA
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6229	1012	BRITAIN RADIO INTERNATIONAL	6300	1148	BELGIAN INT RELAY SERVICE
6239	0630	OPTIMOD	6300	1227	CITADEL RADIO INTERNATIONAL
6239	1015	RADIO MERLIN INTERNATIONAL	6300	1550	RADIO SCOTTISH MONTREAL
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6239	1440		7360		BRITAIN RADIO INTERNATIONAL
6278	1309				January 1994
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RADIO ABILITY is not going to be very busy on SW following the closure of their regular relay RADIO ATLANTIS. However, during the last two months, operator, Tony Page has been heard via RADIO STELLA which has unfortunately also temporarily closed down! ABILITY though does have FM and satellite arrangements and so the station should be audible somehow! ADD - 17 Barlborough Road, Clowne, Nr. Chesterfield, Derbyshire, England, S43 4RA.

RADIO AMSTERDAM was heard on January 2nd with a good signal on 6218. Operator, Herbie the Fish, was QSOing with WMR instead of presenting programmes on XMAS as he had been doing at Christmas.

ANGEL FM is new on SW and was heard for the first time on December 19th. The old FREESOUND transmitter is being used to get this station on the air and the signal here is quite good but the modulation could be higher. Still, it was good to hear ANGEL so busy over the Christmas days on 6219. The station is primarily active on FM but programmes are aimed at both local and international audiences with announcements in English and German. Good to hear you on air at long last! ADD - 65 Lucknow Street, Portsmouth, Hampshire, England, PO1 1PP.

RADIO ARMADILLO was heard with a brief test transmission during the festive season and various other occasional broadcasts have been heard. Reception of this station is best in Central England which could be, as the station operator recently pointed out, because of the inefficiency of the antenna used. However, we always receive good signals and hope to hear more of ARMADILLO during '94. ADD - 4. RADIO ATLANTIS has closed down! Station operator, Sid Morris, claims that the station maildrop was recently visited by the authorities. Rumours suggest that the studio may have even been visited but the truth is just a little hazy concerning the situation. However, you can be sure that ATLANTIS will not be broadcasting in the foreseeable future on either SW or FM where the station began its life. The transmitter of power 50 watts is being offered

for sale and anybody interested should call the UK telephone number (021) 559 2589. **BELGIAN INTERNATIONAL RELAY SERVICE** has adopted a 7 day a week schedule during the last two months which will hopefully continue for a long time to come. It makes a nice change to be able to wake up on a weekday with a SW pirate rather than the boring local legal station! During Christmastide, BIRS was heard for most of the time with two transmitters on the usual outlet of 6239 and additionally on 6300. This latter channel was intended to be 7490 but the crystal did not arrive in time to be used although the aerial was strung up ready. However, it has now arrived at the transmission site and is already in use. 819 MW may also be used in the future and from time to time as at Christmas, the BIRS may be relayed onto 90.80 FM via GALAXY which is due to make a return in February. The 6300 outlet that has been used is with a new transmitter built by WNKR's Dave Martin but although it is said to be 50 watts, the 20 transmitter on 6239 gives significantly better signals! Very strange how things work! The BIRS is open to anybody who wishes to use it and the management offer reduced rates for anybody that wishes to take out relays on a regular basis. Signals are currently very good indeed in the UK and so it may be a wise idea to take advantage of the service if you do not have your own transmitter.

ADD - 7.

RADIO BENELUX is still active from Germany about once a month with one hour programmes in the German language. Signals are sometimes quite good here in England but all depends upon the propagation. 7480 is the Irequency to check. ADD - 4.

RADIO BOBBY was heard on November 21st using 6288 via a German relay.

RADIO BRIGITTE have been heard on numerous occasions during the last two months or so on a variety of frequencies and bands. Some obscure channels are sometimes used such as 6472 so it can be lairly easy to miss this Belgian broadcaster. ADD - P.O. BOX 10, 7954 ZG Rouveen, Netherlands.

BRITAIN RADIO INTERNATIONAL has been maintaining a quite busy schedule during the last two months, especially over the festive season. BRI was active on the usual ± 6235 and 7360 with additional relays aired on 6229 via JRR. Signals seem to have suddenly improved at our location on 7 MHz which seems odd seeing as though no transmitter alterations have been made! Obviously some weird propagation at the moment. Anyway, BRI was heard with a variety of programmes at Christmas including a look back at some the seasonal chart toppers of previous years along with comments about novelty records not being particularly good records! The New Year's Day broadcast featured, as ever, the annual programme from Freddy Archer which was nice to hear. BRI now seem to be on the right tracks once again with maintaining a regular schedule after many months of indecision. I hope '94 will continue along the same lines as the last few months Roger! ADD - 1 + 3.

RADIO CAROLINE is not active every weekend nowadays but is audible on 6295 every now and again. Programmes are recorded aboard the Ross Revenge now anchored in the Blackwater Estuary, Essex. As ever, scores of rumours are flying around concerning CAROLINE, one even saying that the station has been active from the shipp on 954 MW. Whether this is true or not is uncertain because very few people ever seem to know the truth behind the station. ADD - P.O. BOX 963, London, England, SW20 8XL.

CHRIS WATSON who some of you may or may not have heard of, has been carrying out various tests of late with various powers ranging from 20 - 400 watts. If you hear any blank carriers on 48 or 60 metres, Chris could be responsible.

CITADEL RADIO INTERNATIONAL continue to be heard on a fairly regular basis via the BIRS on 6239. A fair amount of mail has been received for Christmas relays which should please the people involved. Previous FM operations from this one have now been cancelled. ADD - 7.

RADIO CITY was heard on 6206 with a relay on November 21st with their first broadcast in over a year. ADD - 4.

CLANDESTINE LISTENERS CLUB GERMANY who also produce programmes under the names of RADIO POPCORN and TOM'S MUSIC RADIO have been heard on numerous occasiosn during the past couple of months.

Everything is in the form of relays, aired either by ORANG UTAN on 6200 or RADIO EUROPE on 7294. ADD - P.O. BOX 540101, 47151 Duisburg, Germany.

CRAZY WAVE RADIO (WELLE WAHNSINN) were active on December 26th using 6282 and their own transmitter. This once relay station has as mentioned in this issue's "Alternative Thoughts" gone fully pirate with their own apparatus which is nice to hear. Station operator, Chris Ise, will not be relying on other transmitters in future and so perhaps programmes will therefore be presented live? ADD - P.O. BOX 202, 36172 Bebra, Germany. RADIO DELMARE from the Netherlands who began life on the MW and has tested on 6200 while mobile has now hit 76 metres. Operator, Frank, was active at the beginning of December with a test and QSO. Reports for this were received from France, England and Germany and reception according to STARSHINE RADIO was also good in Sweden. Not bad considering the DELMARE antenna was not functioning to its maximum capability. Frank intends to broadcast primarily on MW because of the difficulty in speaking good English. However, do listen out on SW and write in for the photo and information sheet available. ADD - P.O. BOX 432, 3330 AK Zwijndrecht, Netherlands.

RADIO DELTA (Elburg) returned to SW on Chrsitmas Day with an early morning programme on 6275. It was great to hear Jan back on the airwaves, even if some interference did occur from ORION who were on the same channel. ADD - P.O. BOX 41, 8080 AA Elburg, Netherlands.

RADIO DELTA (Ruurlo) would like to broadcast more often but one of the main things stopping him from doing so is the fact that he receives so much mail! Indeed this is a good thing but what with other commitments, mail can become a little tedious at times. Anyway, station operator, Gertie who will hopefully be visiting me in England this summer has been heard during the last two months but the second Sunday schedule is not currently in effect. ADD - P.O. BOX 65, 7260 AB Ruurlo, Netherlands.

DELTA BRAVO has been heard a few times recently on 48 metres with QSO contacts but no form of proper programming.

DELTA LIMA 45 from Germany popped up for the first time on 48 metres on January 2nd. The station was heard in QSO with WMR and a fair signal was received here at the PC HQ.

RADIO DIAMOND from the Netherlands can be heard usually around once a month with shortwave programmes. The frequency is 6211 and continuous music is played for a couple of hours. Not too many announcements are made due to the station operator only knowing a certain amount of the English language. ADD -P.O. BOX 3037, 1780 GA Den Helder, Netherlands.

RADIO DR.TIM has been heard with more relay broadcasts during the last two or so months, mainly via ORANG UTAN on 6200. However, a couple of relays have been made by English pirate WREKIN RADIO on 12265. Response to broadcasts of DR. TIM is very encouraging: the first relay brought 48 reception reports and the second Transmission in August brought 23 reports! The station studio has recently been improved and is now looking better than previosuly. Look out for further relays via a variety of outlets. ADD - 4.

RADIO DUTCHBOY was heard on January 9th for the first time in ages. 7295 was used which gave good reception here at our listening post. The broadcast was relatively short with a QSO request and the address. ADD - P.O. BOX 13, 7710 AA Nieuwleusen, Netherlands.

RADIO EAST COAST COMMERCIAL was active during November and December with the annual special programme on Christmas Day as well. A telephone line was available directly through to the studio and the usual fun and festivities were in full swing. Let's hope that 1994 will be a trouble-free year for this long time pirate which has had its unfair share of difficulties, ADD - K Flats, 9-11 Church Street, Cromer, Norfolk, England, NR27 9ER. EIFELWELLE was heard along with RADIO BOBBY on November 21st but just as its counterpart, very little is known about this

EMERALD RADIO INTERNATIONAL from Eire can still be heard on SW with broadcasts on 6225. Signals at our location are usually very good but modulation is unfortunately not in keeping with the signal and is rather low. Programmes mainly consist of soul music. ADD - 8 Inverness Road, Dublin 8, Eire.

RADIO EXPERIMENTAL from England can be heard once in a while with very strong sounding 48 metre band QSO contacts despite only a power of about 20 watts. Operator, Gary Stevens informed me some months ago that he is quite willing to selli his transmitter and so anybody who is looking for a rig would find this ideal. The cost is only £50 which is certainly a good offer for a transmitter that I can personally say works very well indeed. Anybody interested can write to Gary via OZONE at the Victoria Road address.

RADIO FANTASY is a former German FM pirate which made it onto SW on November 28th. ADD - P.O. BOX 1137, 96118 Bischberg, Germany.

RADIO FOX is new from England and was heard testing on December 18th. 6295 was the frequency but nothing has been heard since mid-December. Signals here were quite good but speech difficult to comprehend.

RADIO FRANCIS DRAKE celebrated their second birthday on November 28th with a programme in two parts. Since they started, this station has been heard every now and again via ORANG UTAN on 6200 and a good response is usually received for the programmes aired. ADD - 4.

FREE RADIO SERVICE HOLLAND received over 70 letters for their birthday activities of October 17th, including a report from Finland giving a 44444 SINPO for the 11404 outlet! The proposed November 21st broadcast from Peter Verbruggen and friends had to be cancelled due to serious circumstances beyond immediate control! However, things went ahead on December 5th instead. Christmas though was silent as concerns FRSH although broadcasts had been planned for December 19th with a repeat on the 26th. Thanks a lot your your last letter Peter, and yes, I hope that we can remain on a friendly and just a little competitive level during years to come! ADD - P.O. BOX 2727, 6049 ZG Herten, Netherlands.

FREE RADIO SERVICE LONDON have not been too active during the last couple of months or so but they were heard twice on January 9th. 6201 and later, 6204 were used with solid signals received at our location. Programmes consist of land-based London pirate recordings and recorded announcements. No address is ever given which is a shame because I am sure

that a lot of people would like to officially report their reception of this station.

RADIO GEMINI celebrated their 21st birthday in November with programmes on 6226, giving excellent signals. It is worth noting that this station have a documentary detailing their history which is well worth getting hold of. If you write in, ask about this and other things which they have on offer. ADD - 5.

RADIO GLORIA INTERNATIONAL were heard a few times over Christmas with their ± 20 watt transmitter. Good signals were received here on 6210 and 6255. ADD - 5.

GOOD MUSIC RADIO is a new British addition to 48 metres and was heard for the first time on January 8th. This station is also on FM running 100 watts in comparison with the 25 watts used on SW. A second broadcast was made on January 16th, using 6280 which was also used on the 8th. To contact the station, you can call (0850) 750002 or write to them. ADD - GMR Towers, Beccles, Suffolk, England,

HEAVY DUDE RADIO celebrated their first birthday during November with programmes on 6210. HDR is active around once a month on this channel beaming fairish signals into the UK. ADD - Kämnäsvägen 13D:220 22646 Lund, Sweden.

INTERNATIONAL MUSIC RADIO who experienced an asstounding response for their first broadcast back on October 31st, have been heard a few more times recently on 6200. Programmes are aired with good signals via ORANG UTAN. The operator of this station did tell me that he would be appearing on 1630 MW but nothing has been heard to date. Perhaps somebody could send some further information? ADD - Yves, P.O. BOX 1948, 4007 Basel, Switzerland.

RADIO JIMMY INTERNATIONAL from the Nethrelands has been pretty quiet on SW during the last months but has been heard on the odd occasion. ADD - P.O. BOX 102, 7360 AC Beekbergen, Netherlands.

JOLLY ROGER RADIO should soon be sounding quite a lot better on 6229. Roger Davis of BRI has built a new modulator for the station which will, in theory, increase the JRR modulation output from 60% to 100%! The plan was to have this new set-up working for Christmas but due to temporary problems this could not be so. However, do listen out for an improved sounding JRR. ADD - P.O. BOX 39. Waterford, Eire.

RADIO KONTAKT from the Netherlands has been heard on SW again during the last two months. The transmitter is only low power as on MW but signals are fairly good. ADD - c/o DPRS.

LEVEL 48 have more marathon transmission planed with each station involved running their transmitter for at least two hours. RADIO CHARLINE has recently departed from the LEVEL 48 organisation but the latest recruits are RADIO ILLUSION and CRAZY WAVE along with all of the others such as STAR CLUB, PFBS, SUD WEST RADIO and so forth. ADD - 2.

LIVE WIRE RADIO was heard a few times over the festive season with both programmes and QSOs. As ever, signals are asstounding here and when Bill turned down his power to an announced 1 watt on December 25th, the signal was still very good! Either little lies are being told or the LWR set-up really is very efficient! It was nice to hear the station active in the early hours of Wednesday 29th December with a full programme on 3910 and a style of music different from the usual. Plesae note the new station address. ADD - 6. **RADIO LONDON INTERNATIONAL** was nice and busy over Christmas and into the New Year with a variety of relays, mainly via the BIRS but also via WMR. In total, three different programmes were heard at all times of the day and night which were aired on 6209, 3945, 6239, 6300, 1575 and 90.80! The FM outlet was beamed at Essex and the MW at Scotland! Station manager, Andy Winter was heard with a lot of talk, which on the WMR relay nearly resulted in giving Jack Russel a nervous breakdown! One of the BIRS relays listed the SW Free Radio logs for Christmas which we had the pleasure of helping out with. During 1994 you can expect to hear this station more active than during '93 due to the services of the BIRS. Also, perhaps Andy will start to receive more letters with the use now of the Chelmsford drop. ADD - 5 + 7. **RADIO LOWLAND INTERNATIONAL can still**

be heard every now and again but not too regularly, on 6285. The signals are always very strong at our location and, in general, throughout Europe. ADD - P.O. BOX 39, 2300 AA Leiden, Netherlands,

RADIO MARABU are still active mainly via the BIRS on 6239 with their alternative music programmes which make for good listening. The occasional JRR relay on 6229 can also be heard but the BIRS are this station's main outlet nowadays. ADD - 4.

RADIO MATA HARI returned to the airwaves during the festive season with some Christmassy programmes. Some excellent sound effects and strange voices were heard on the humourous show which was aired on 76 metres. ADD - 4.

RADIO MERLIN INTERNATIONAL has recently carried out some live transmissions on 6239 and 6300 via the BIRS. Paul Watt has been heard on several occasions and in several variable intoxicated states with some pretty interesting programmes! A mobile generator has recently been obtained meaning that RMI can go anywhere and broadcast from anywhere! I always enjoy hearing RMI live and hope that 1994 will give a lot more of this type of broadcasting from the station. ADD - 7. RADIO METEOOR from the Netherlands can be heard using SW some weekends. The lower end of 48 metres, around 6200 is a favourite place of broadcasting for operator, Jean. ADD - P.O. BOX 71, 7720 AB Dalfsen, Netherlands.

RADIO MIKE from the Netherlands were heard over Christmas using 6525. This was the first broadcast in some time from this station and was heard as far afield as Norway. ADD - P.O. BOX 2188, 3000 CD Rotterdam, Netherlands. RADIO MOONLIGHT is the new name for a Dutch pirate that was busted by the RCD some months ago. Only low power is currently being used and previous MW activities from the operator have now been abandoned because of the raid. However, on shortwave the station has been heard on both 76 and 48 metres. It's good to hear you back on the airwaves Mr. Moonlight! ADD - P.O. BOX 102, 7360 AC Beekbergen, Netherlands.

RADIO NORTHSEA INTERNATIONAL could be closing down due to according to something we heard recently but this is not concrete information. Anyway, the station has been heard during the last couple of months on the usual 6252 and was due to be active via ORANG UTAN on January 16th but nothing was heard. ADD - 4.

FREE RADIO NORWAY has appeared on the bands during the last couple of months and is one of only a very few stations to be broadcasting from this country. This operation is running its own transmitter of roughly 100 watts and has been heard on several occasions recently. ADD - 4.

NOT RADIO FAX made an appearance on 76 metres on December 28th just before 0000. Signat in England was fairly good.

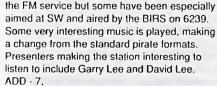
OPTIMOD has been heard during the last

months with more programmes via the BIRS on 6239. This media magazine show is quite interesting to listen to and has been quite useful in obtaining new subscribers for us here at PCI ADD - 7.

RADIO ORANG UTAN who have been carrying a large amount of relays recently, have unfortunately been raided. On January 16th at around 1000, the broadcasting site was visited by officials, making this the fourth time that ORANG UTAN has been caught. This has probably happened as a result of the considerable activity from Freddy during the last few months with numerous German relays. Whereas his station used to only be heard once or twice a month, the 150 watt transmitter has been more or less red hot of late with many hours of broadcasting. Hopefully, it should not be too long before ORANG UTAN returns to the airwayes but next time, less relays and less activity would be a better idea. As a result of the bust, we have already heard that RADIO WAHNSINN who were being relayed on a regular basis, have switched to use of the BIRS on 6239. ADD - P.O. BOX 114, 7040 AC s'Heerenberg, Netherlands.

RADIO ORION returned to the airwaves on December 24th alter a considerable absence. Mike Wilson was heard with his alternatively humourous thoughts on 6275 and with a look back at an old Paul Johnson tape. 'The Big O' was also active on Christmas Day and December 30th. Mike still does not seem too inspired by the current Free Radio situation but as ever, his programmes and a good laugh to listen to. ADD - 6 Worcester Street, Wolverhampton, West Midlands, England WV2 4LD + 7.

OVERFLOW INTERNATIONAL, the FM pirate from the county of Essex have been heard on SW on numerous occasions recently. Some programmes have simply been hijacked from



OZONE RADIO INTERNATIONAL do not seem too settled just lately and have adopted a style of changing frequency rather a lot! Following their move away from 6280 some months back, down to 6277, things seem to have gone haywire. 6280 is now perfectly clear and so perhaps it would be a good idea for OZONE to return to this channel on a regular basis rather than swop around between 6210, 6250, 6270 and so forth. ADD - 1.

RADIO PACMAN has been active during the last two months with SW broadcasts, mainly on the 41 metre band. Power is riding at about 6 watts and the SWR of the station is very low thus meaning that the antenna being used is extremely efficient. This helps to explain the rather good signals received from the station in England and at our location. If you want to hear this station, one time to listen out is after SUBTERRANEAN SOUNDS closes on a Sunday at 1200 on 7410. ADD - P.O. BOX 103, 8120 AC Olst, Netherlands.

RADIO PAMELA has been as busy as ever during the last couple of months but future plans that opertor, Steve Most had, have unfortunately had to be squashed. Steve was planning to continue broadcasting on Sunday mornings with a possible regular service on 5871. He was also planning to introduce a German service. However, a recent complaint has been received regarding interference from the PAMELA transmitter. Therefore, plans have been abandoned. The station may be audible on a Saturday afternoon from an alternative location but as regards Sunday transmissions, the best we can hope for is a relay or two. ADD - 7.

RADIO PANDORA was heard on January 1st on 6209 via WMR. A very good signal was heard here for the programme from Steve St. John and several nice plugs for some magazine called Pirate Chat?! Concerning activity with the station's own transmitter, this should go ahead in future months. In November though, Steve had problems when he connected the power leads to the battery

the wrong way round. This did some damage to the inverter but nevertheless, RADIO PANDORA should be on air soon! A second transmitter may also be purchased for use on 11420 so do listen out! ADD - 4.

RADIO PARADISE from Germany was heard using 6282 on December 5th. This station was probably being relayed just as many other SW German pirates nowadays are. ADD - 4.

PEACE IN ACTION from Germany has been heard on shortwave since the last issue of PC woth a relay via JRR on 6229. ADD - 4.

RADIO PERFEKT whose operator does not speak English has been heard with more relay transmission recently. These can be heard via a variety of stations including RWI and ORANG UTAN. ADD - 4.

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RADIO PIRAÑA INTERNATIONAL was very active over the festive season with many hours of more or less continual broadcasting. It certainly is nice to hear this station so busy on a variety of bands. 76 metres is the favourite broadcasting location of Jorge Garcia but he can also be heard fairly regularly on 48 metres. Transmitter power is currently 80 watts but plans to increase up to 150 watts could become reality in this new year. Also in 1994, weekday broadcasts might continue as from February or March and weekend broadcasts may begin from as early as 1600. Response to broadcasts during 1993 was very pleasing with ±100 letters with a high proportion being received from stateside, including both South and North America! Signals from PIRAÑA at our location are sometimes very good and reception is made easier when SSB is used. ADD - 4.

PIRATE FREAKS BROADCASTING
SERVICE was heard during November in QSO mode on 76 metres. Unfortunately, nothing was heard at Christmas from this fine German



station. This is in stark contrast to a couple of years back when I remember high activity Invels from Pirate Andy and crossband QSOs with WMR. ADD - 2.

PIRATE RADIO BOSTON was heard with a relay on 3915 on December 11th. It is unclear as to who was airing the programme but it is known that the SWEDISH SW RELAY SERVICE were not the perpetrator! Anyway, it was nice to hear some US Free Radio on 76 metres for a change. ADD - P.O. BOX 146, Stoneham, 02180 MA, USA.

RAINBOW RADIO GERMANY were active on November 6th for the first time in ages. RADIO STELLA was used for a relay on 7446, 3910 and 11416 which coincided with an unofficial relay on 7460! ADD - P.O. BOX 202, 36172 Bebra, Germany.

RADIO REFLEX continues to be heard every now and again on either 6236/7 or 6270. Signals in the UK are very good from this powerful Dutch pirate and are difficult to miss. ADD - P.O. BOX 59, 7260 AB Ruurlo, Netherlands.

ROMANTIC SPACE RADIO were heard via RWI on January 2nd using 7484 and 11401. ADD - P.O. BOX 29, 109444 Moscow, Russia / DPRS.

RADIO SAFARI INTERNATIONAL from Scandinavia has been heard on SW a few more times during the last two months. Station operator, Bruce Sailor has been busy on a relay basis and hopes to continue activity on 48 and 76 metres during 1994. ADD - 4.

RADIO SANTANA was heard using 6555 at Christmas by one of our friends in Norway. Not at all bad considering that only low power is used by this Dutch OSOer. ADD - P.O. BOX 46, 7160 AB Neede, Netherlands.

RADIO SCOTTISH MONTREAL (CRSM) from the USA continues to be audible in Europe via the BIRS on 6239. ADD - P.O. BOX 109, Blue Ridge Summit, PA 17214, USA.

RADIO SELECT from the Netherlands has been heard several times of late using frequencies around 6215. Signals are fairly good into the UK and Germany. ADD - P.O. BOX 51, 6671 CA Zetten, Netherlands.

SIERRA FOXTROT ZERO THREE has been heard during the last two months with more OSO contacts. Signals are now often very good here from the station that used to be frequently inaudible with many people. Whenever WMR,

LWR or GLORIA is about, you can expect to hear SF03.

SOUTHERN MUSIC RADIO has been relayed fairly regularly by RADIO WAVES INTERNATIONAL during 1993 but now the new year is here and RWI is due to close, SMR is also making changes. 1994 will see this New Zealand pirate relayed via the BELGIAN INTERNATIONAL RELAY SERVICE. The station operator is, however, on the look out for other one-off relays via European and especially Dutch stations. The music format on SMR is 100% down under tunes which certainly make a change from the outputs of a lot of SW Free Fladio stations. ADD - 3 + 7. STAR CLUB RADIO, one of the stations that

comprises LEVEL 48 has been heard during the last two months with more of their own programmes. You can hear SCR both with their own equipment and via other stations, primarily ORANG UTAN. On December 19th, it was announced that a new 500 watt transmitter would soon be purchased and used on the third weekend of January. Nothing heard as yet. ADD - 4.

STARSHINE RADIO celebrated their first birthday during December with a programme on 76 metres. This is where the station can be heard quite often with fairly good signals into the UK. ADD - c/o DPRS.

RADIO SYELLA INTERNATIONAL'S Jock Wilson has been experiencing just a slight problem recently. He blew up all three of his SW transmitters! Time of return for RSI is unsure at present but it could be some time during the spring. Frequencies to watch are 3945, 7446 and 11416 as usual. ADD - 82 Pentland Place, Kircaldy, File, Scotland. SUBTERRANEAN SOUNDS continues to be active most Sundays on ± 7410 from 1100 -1200. Modulation has just been improved and is sounding better than before just below the point of distortion. Tests were carried out with Andy Winter and Steve Midnight on January 2nd after a programme and QSO with RADIO PACMAN. Operator, Mr. Midnight, hopes to get a new power supply soon which will mean that broadcasts may be significantly longer than previously. The Sunday morning regular schedule has been proving popular with a high standard of response but Steve has now stopped weekly broadcasts and plans a return to 76 metres. ADD - 1.

SUD WEST RADIO were active on December 25th using 6278. According to one of our correspondents in Germany, the broadcast started off as LEVEL 48 but later turned into SWR ADD - P.O. BOX 1243, 6685 Schiffweiler, Germany.

SUNSHINE RADIO were heard using 6200 via ORANG UTAN on November 28th with a programme of roughly 60 minutes duration. There appears to be two stations currently using this name which is rather confusing. ADD P.O. BOX 114, 7040 AC s'Sheerenberg. Netherlands.

SWR SWITZERLAND

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RADIO TELSTAR has been heard during the last two months with the odd test transmission on 48 metres. Don't forget that this station is actually RADIO REFLEX and that this ID is used when tests are being made. P.O. BOX 59. 7260 AB Ruurlo, Netherlands,

RADIO TITANIC INTERNATIONAL was busy with a relay onto 6200 on Sunday December 19th. As many German stations nowadays, RTI seems to be taking advantage more and more of relay offers rather than using own equipment. ADD - 4

RADIO TORNADO is the second station to have come out of Lithuania recently and is run by the same person as BALTIC COAST RADIO. The very first broadcast from this relay station was aired via RADIO DELMARE in the Netherlands using 80 watts on November 6th. Following that relay, another show was aired twice by JRR on 6229 and a final programme was aired via DELMARE's MW outlet on November 7th, RADIO TORNADO was born because although Lithuania is now a free country, no radio stations have previously been active to prove this fact. The station operator has a wide music taste and so more or less anything is likely to crop up on future programmes. A variety of extremely nice QSLs are available so do drop the station a few lines. ADD - P.O. BOX 432, 3330 AK Zwijndrecht, Netherlands + P.O. BOX 493, 5802 Klaipeda, Lithuania.

TRANSATLANTIC RADIO can be heard on either 6201 or 6266 at least once a month with fair signals in the UK. ADD - P.O. BOX 4427. 3006 AK Rotterdam, Netherlands.

RADIO USA were heard a couple of times during Christmas on 48 metres. Obviously some European relay. ADD - P.O. BOX 109, Blue Ridge Summit, PA 17214, USA. RADIO UTOPIA from the south of England

made an appearance on 76 metres at Chistmas to QSO on 3925 and 3945. As stressed on air by the operator, this is the original UTOPIA and unconnected with any other station of the same

VOICE OF THE GOUTSUFFERERS has been heard again recently with more spoof orientated programmes which make humourous listening. **RADIO WAHNSINN** which translated into English reads RADIO INSANITY, is NOT the same as WELLE WAHSINN which is actually CRAZY WAVE RADIO! RADIO WAHNSINN is a station from the late 1980s which has recently returned to SW via RADIO ORANG UTAN on 6200. I have seen this logged as RADIO VANDEN so do beware because I have a feeling that this station is going to create much confusion! ADD - 4.

RADIO WAVES INTERNATIONAL are supposed to be closing down during 1994 but not for a few months yet. 7484 is now the frequency used on 41 metres, in parallel with 11401. During November, RWI celebrated 10 years of international broadcasting, with programmes under their WORLD COMMUNICATION SERVICE identification. ADD - 3.

WEEKEND MUSIC RADIO returned to the time of several years ago during Christmas-tide last year, with many hours of superb broadcasting. WMR was extremely busy both day and night with live and taped programmes, one of which was in Spanish! Jack Russel pushed his transmitter power beyond 300 watts at times which was certainly noticeable here and throughout the rest of Europe. The signal was absolutely amazing as was the modulation and audio quality! To help Jack out during the broadcasts, various Free Radio personalities visited WMR, including Andy Walker, Bill Lewis, Jock Wilson and Dave Anderson. Altogether, it was a pleasure to hear the station broadcasting with a good mixture of music and chat, including the famous live 'phone-ins.



Participating this year on the WMR hotline were. to name a few, Chris Cortez, Chris Watson, Steve Most, Andy Winter, Jorge Garcia and Ian Page. Various frequencies were used this year including 6202, 6209, 6239, 6295 and 3945. Let's hope that next Christmas will bring the same WMR quality as that just gone. Well done Jack! ADD - 6.

WEST AND NORTH KENT NADIO's Dave Martin has recently finished a new synthesised type transmitter that requires no crystals. It can operate on a wide range of frequencies and was put to use on a variety of channels with live programmes over the festive season. Good signals were received here. ADD - 4.

RADIO WITHOUT BORDERS

INTERNATIONAL have not been as active on 76 metres during the last two months as they have been previously. A broadcast has however been heard via RWI on 7484 and 11401. ADD - P.O. BOX 29, 109444 Moscow, Russia / DPRS.

WORLD'S GREATEST ANORAK STATION were active once again, on January 2nd with live programming for the first time. Things certainly sounded much more interesting than usual when everything is on tape. 6295 was initially used which was followed by a change to the area that could be a new pirate band, 5900. The WGAS signal here was not as good but this would have been due to the antenna being cut to 6400. More live programmes from this station would be very nice to hear but on recently talking to the management, it doesn't seem as though too much live output will be made due to the greater risk factor involved. ADD - 3.

XENON TRANSMITTING COMPANY have been active a couple of times during the last two months but the most significant broadcast was aired on December 31st. This featured Tommy Teabags with a lengthy transmission of some two hours duration which is significantly longer than usual. The programme featured the alternative hits of 1993 and general talk about radio and what was heard over the lestive season. Thope our call was appreciated even if it did make things rather hectic! ADD - 4. XMAS returned to shortwave at Christmas with programmes heard on both the usual 7558 and also on 3910. As ever, this station which is operated by Herbie the Fish was airing some pretty controversial stuff which made for

alternative listening!

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Scandinavia on air

by Jonny Augustsson

If you had told me in the beginning of 1990 that Scandinavia would become big in Free Radio I would have probably laughed at you. Today though, it is a fact and in this feature I will take a closer look at what Scandinavia can give us today.

First out in August 1992 was Radio Fusion International with music that probably had a very small audience. Therefore, a typical station for QSL hunters: listen-report-collect. In around May '93, Fusion "closed down". Jolly Jake might return to the air but if my words were law, I think that he should change his music format.

Next out in November was Heavy Dude Radio on 6200 kHz. This station has found its audience with a very crazy crew - crazy enough to produce shows that someone will listen to. What would HDR be without Mr. Goat? Listening to legal radio playing heavy rock is unbearable but Mr. Heavy Dude, Hawk and Goat make fun out of listening.

In December, the next station appeared. It was Starshine Radio with music from the golden age of rock and roll. Many stations are playing this kind of music but Kim Hawk is the only one on 76 metres. Starshine was only heard once on 41 metres and too many people connect this station with Fusion and it is for this reason that only 3 MHz broadcasts now take place. Kim has however told me that some tests have been made on 48 metres but without response. Anyway, this is certainly a station that you can tune into just for listening.

After Starshine it took a little while and we had to wait until March '93 until next station ioined Scandinavian scene. Firstly, it was called Radio Test, a few weeks later, Moonlight and a week later, Wave Radio International, Waveman has not been known as a DJ and music deliverer. Normally, he only QSOs, perhaps with a little music. WRI has even made some "funny" tests; one was to continue the programme from St. Helena with his own just a few minutes after the Helena closedown on 11 MHz.

Waveman is very interested in antennas and can spend a week or two building one just for one single occasion. He has told me that some day real music shows will appear on Wave Radio International.

Next in '93 from Scandinavia was Channel Europe with mixed music. CE has only been relayed, via Fusion, SBC and Radio Delta, on 41, 76 and 48 metres. This station has also found its audience. The music is easy to identify and if there is nothing else on the band, the radio can stay on CE and you can sit back, relax and enjoy.

SBC appeared at the same time as Channel Europe and is Scandinavian Broadcasting Corporation. No programmes of their own, only one test for 15 minutes with Veronica music.

PIRATE CHAT **READ IN ALL CORNERS**

OF THE GLOBE

On mediumwave during July, Radio Camouflage was heard via Pirana on 1509 kHz. This is a station which I do not know much about. It is a joint project between some of the SC operators.

Another station with mostly relays appeared almost one year after Fusion and that is the Swedish Shortwave Relay Service. This one has some shows of their own but normally, Radio Safari are heard when SSRS is on air.

Radio Safari has, as I have heard, a very basic studio. This together with a lot of Swedish dance music will, unfortunately, make this station a listen-report-collect QSL station. If Safari put some feeling into his shows, I think he would be very popular.

SSRS is also playing a different style of music. Just one in the mass. But nevertheless the signal is fair here. The operator says it is about 100 watts but I think a little less, perhaps around 70 -80 but the audio is one of the best today.

Last out in 1993 was Free Radio Norway with 100 watts. So far I don't have too much information about this one except that the audio is very good and the operator seems to be a nice chap. This might turn up to be a new number one from Scandinavia.

If you as Free Radio operators have anything going on, contact the Swedish Report Service at:

Ostra Porten 29, S - 442 54 Ytterby, Sweden.

Stations connected with my service are: Radio Camouflage, Channel Europe, Heavy Dude Radio, Scandinavian Broadcasting Corporation, Starshine Radio and Wave Radio International.

Well, I hope you enjoyed my little look at the expanding pirate scene of northern Europe and perhaps I will return soon with more Scandinavian features.

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North American Roundup

By Eric Suter All times UTC

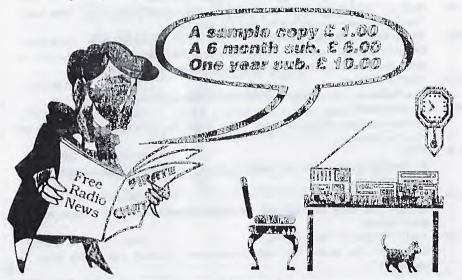
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1st	RADIO GUMBY INTERNATIONAL (on)	7465 USB	2346-2357
	Master Gumby back with more audio from old Gumb		The transmit
	ter continues to overheat and so the shows only last	several minutes.	
2nd	RADIO AIRPLANE (ny)	7465 USB	0307-0350
	Captain Eddy DJing with rock music and talking a	bout their upcoming	first anniver
	sary. Congratulations!		
2nd	SOLID ROCK RADIO (ny)	7465	2337-2356
	Playing country and western music this time. Sti north-east that I can tell of.	Il not being heard	outside of the
3rd	WREC (pa)	7414	0045-0121
	Radio Free East Coast relaying a programme from F	Radio Merlin Internat	ional.
9th	RADIO FREE SALVATION (al)	7412 USB	2252-2308
	A new pirate doing Christian music with prayers and	d rock music by a va	ariety of artist
	with IDs and comedy between songs.		
10th	CRSM (pa)	7413	2301-2354
	Rob Roy doing a programme of music and comment	lary about New Zea	and. Relayed
	by CSIC (pa).		
11th	RADIO FUSION RADIO	7461	0042-005
	A programme of rap music. Not widely reported by	ut those who did he	ar it said tha
	they received a good signal. No maildrop but has pirate publications.		
16th	WSM/GRAND OL OPRY RADIO (al)	7414	2302-2331
	Test transmissions of traditional country and western		2002-2001
30th	WLIS	7415	1848-1858
	The greatest interval signals of the 60s, 70s and 80s.		1040 1030
30th	RADIO BOB'S COMEDY NET (ga)	15050 USB	2000-2031
	Everyone who reported this show commented on the		
	usual, Bob did a programme of great comedy ads an		oodiation. As
30th	TUBE RADIO (pa)	7425	2138-2151
	"The Halloween Special from Hell" with sound effects		
30th	HE-MAN RADIO (pa)	6666.6 USB	
	He-Man was back making fun of the female DXers in		
	choice of frequency.	i a i iailoween lonna	at. Interesting
30th	RKNA	7410	2330-2342
,,,,,	DJ The Old Western Fella was criticising President		
	and western music.	Clinton and playing	older country
31st	OMEGA RADIO (ny)	7466 USB	0045 0005
, 131			0015-0035
	DJ Dick Tator doing interviews and talk about Hallo gious holidays.	ween and other sa	and reli-
31st,	JOLLY ROGER INTERNATIONAL	7405	0540 0551
151,		7465	0519-0554
	Blackbeard with another late night presentation of		

31st	RADIO BEAVER (on)	7414 var.	1413-1454
	Bucky Beaver doing a Halloween programme of tubula	ar bells type music	Э.
31st	RADIO HALLOWEEN (ny)	7435 USB	1900-1925
	A once a year station that shows up with seasonal mu	sic and comedy s	kits.
31st	WITCH CITY FIADIO (ny)	7435 USB	1900-1925
	Another once a year station that usually appears over	er Halloween with	sound effects,
	horror movie promos and seasonal music.		
31st	ACID	15053	2005-2018
	This station seems to show up every year with a diffe	erent Halloween p	rogramme. No
	maildrop as yet but has been known to QSL reports to	hobby publication	ns.
31sI	VOICE OF STENCH (ny)		2234-2241
	Eddie "Egghead" Johnson was trying to do his Hallow	een special but H	E-MAN RADIO
	was on at the same time in USB making it hard to tell		
31st	WKND (pa)	7416	2252-2325
	Despite being busted twice, FIADIO ANIMAL made an	appearance for h	łalloween play-
	ing heavy metal music and movie sound tracks.		
31st	WREC	7451	2320-0006
	Halloween programme of older pop/novelty music.		
31st	CSIC	7413	2325-2350
	· Count Rambo with his Halloween special. Different s	easonal songs an	d poems heard
	but not widely reported.		

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As ever, all logs compiled with the help of Pirate Pages and my wife. Ill



Dutch Mediumwave News

by Derek Taylor

A VERY happy new year to you all! Two favourite Dutch MW pirates made a welcome return to the band in November. Zwarte Non who has not been in the air for some time is back with a new antenna built by the Barones and has a much improved signal. Old-timer Noordzee also returned around the same time and has been heard quite often, although he does occasionally use other IDs which is a little confusing at times.

The return of these guys has helped to make the band a little busier. In fact, the weekend of the 4th and 5th of December saw 183 metres chock-a-block with dozens of pirates in QSO, going on into the early hours.

Mystery pirate Bad Company made another appearance on 182 metres recently. Also new heard recently include: Radio West, Karel Doorman (B), The Oude Vrolijke Mijnwerker, Vrije Vogel (B), The Boot and the Torpedojager. Also new and logged recently on 1400 kHz is the Zender Harry. He does QSL and any reports can be sent to me at the DPRS.

The surprises continue on 183 metres. We have had a pirate from Lithuania, Radio Tornado, being relayed via Radio Delmare (B). Meanwhile, old Veronica tapes have been relayed via Santana (A) and several pirates have been heard playing tapes of other pirates! This latter trend sure seems to be on the increase of late.

Another trend which is also evident and causing much confusion is the practice of new MW pirates choosing the name of an already established and active pirate, so more and more names are being duplicated.

It is now possible to hear MW pirates from Holland virtually 24 hours a day at my location. Here in Preston they are audible late into the morning and then again from around noon! This type of reception is only possible in mid-winter.

Barones has been testing on 1400 and 1410 and 1440 recently with the first of these giving the best reception. In fact it was excellent with no interference at all!

Some bad news now concerning Radio Tijdbreker. I have just heard from Radio Orang Utan who has been speaking with the Nooitgedacht that Tijdbreker has been busted. No further details are available at the present time.

Unfortunately, we have no 'Spotlight 186' this time due to one thing and another. However, this popular feature should hopefully return in March along with more of the latest news from the Dutch MW pirate scene.

During 1994, a slightly different presentation will be seen as concerns the MW logs here in PC. By popular demand, times will once again be shown and the logger will now also be identified.



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		2311	05/11	DT	1637	VRUE VOGEL	2305	21/11	PC	
		1538	28/11	DT	1637	CABALLERO	2327	27/11	DT	
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		2315	11/11	PC	1839	BARONES	2117	13/11	PC	
		2335	11/11	PC	1639	SANTANA	2223	20/11	PC	
	TOEKOMST	2233	12/11	PC		RADIO WEST	2300	22/11	DT	
		2250	12/11	PC	1639	JAPIE DE SLOPER	2239	01/12	DT	
	ZENDER JOHAN	1729	12/11	DT		ALBATROS (A)	1804	05/11	DT	
1636	ZWARTE NON	2124	13/11	PC	1540	UTOPIA	2235	08/11	PC	
1636	NOOITGEDACHT	2325	13/11	FC	1640	BARONES	2216	09/11	PC	
1636	KAREL DOORMAN (A)	2327	13/11	PC	1640	KLEINE MAN	2024	12/11	DT	
	ZWARTE NON	1555	14/11	DT	1640	METEOOR	1602	14/11	DT	
	HAWAII/NOOITGEDACHT	2232	19/11	DT	1649	TUBANTIA	2333	18/11	DT	
	ZWARTE NON	2340	19/11	PC	1640	SAMSON	2027	19/11	DT	
	DIKKE BETTA	1747	19/11	DT	1640	GOUDEN STER	1855	20/11	PC	
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As the editor of Pirate Chat, I would very much like to thank every single person and Free Radio station who was kind enough to send us Christmas greetings at the end of 1993 which now seems so very long back. Many thanks to each of the following and apologies for any names that may have been accidentally omitted . . .

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On behalf of myself, the editor, and all involved with Pirate Chat, many thanks for your support during 1993 and please continue your much appreciated assistance during 1994.